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## Foreword to the Index

**Purpose**—The purpose of this foreword is to communicate to index users some of the characteristics of this particular index, and also to provide insight into the way in which the Indexing staff attempts to publish a useful, efficient, and easy-to-use index. You know how to use an index; this foreword and the suggestions for using the index are offered to aid in the effective use of this particular index.

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**Suggestions**—LexisNexis® offers a few suggestions for efficient use of this index. Creating an index involves anticipating where index users might look for statutory material. It is hoped that these examples suggest to index users how an Indexer went about this process of anticipation and thus improve the communication between the Indexers and the index user.

(1) *Gain familiarity with the contents of the Mississippi Code 1972 Annotated and the index.* Although it is not a predicate to using the index successfully, knowledge of the arrangement, terminology, topical treatment, analyses and reference system of both the Mississippi Code 1972 Annotated and the index is conducive to the efficient use of the index.

(2) *Consult the principal subject and not the secondary subject.* Thus, for drivers' licenses, look under **DRIVERS' LICENSES** and not under **MOTOR VEHICLES**; for attorneys' fees, look under **ATTORNEYS' FEES** and not under **FEES**.

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## Table of Abbreviations

AppProc Rule . . . . .	Mississippi Rules of Appellate Procedure
AttyDiscip Rule. . . . .	Rules of Discipline for the Mississippi State Bar
BarAdm Rule . . . . .	Rules Governing Admission to the Mississippi Bar
ChCt Rule . . . . .	Uniform Chancery Court Rules
Cir&CoCt Rule . . . . .	Uniform Rules of Circuit and County Court Practice
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